

Dear Mr. Friedman

Please act on the petition to help ~~downed animals~~ ^{downed animals} from the suffering that they are currently be allowed to endure.

What and how is it that we Americans, and USDA would allow these animals to be treated with such barbaric and inhumane measures!! I don't eat meat, however, I do have friends that do. I have discussed this topic with them and most did not know that this practice was allowed, and did not agree with the inhumane practice. Although they still eat meat, they thought the animals were protected by the USDA and humane rules and regulations were sufficient ones. We are all fooled and disgusted that just because they are food animals, we don't have to be humane to their needs and pain.

I don't understand how this could of been allowed to go on. Have you ever seen a downed animal and how it is treated until it is killed? If any of us still have a conscious left, lets ban together and protect these suffering animals. Obviously conscious and being kind to animals is not enough to protect animals from these practices, we need laws to protect them.

Please support the humane treatment of downed animals, docket number 98P-0151/CP1, and classify meat from downed animals as adulterated.

Thank you for your humane decision.

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